MINUTES—August 5, 1997 Red River Room, State Capitol

The Education Standards and Practices Board meeting was called to order by board chair, Maryjane Martens. Board Members present were Maryjane Martens, Dr. Mary Harris, Dr. Doug Johnson, Linda Davis, Don Haugen, Bev Sandness, Michael Schatz, asst. director, Deb Jensen and executive director, Marilyn Ridenhower.

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Members of the board absent were Sue Andrews and Randy Gordon.

Visitors present were Faye Reimers, Joe Westby, Max Laird, Fern Pokorny, Fran Llewellyn and Shannon Fornes from NDEA; Claudia Tomanek, Velma Marmon, Greg Johnson, John Stensborgen, Jr., Rita Bertsch, Deborah Miller and Denise Melon.

A motion was made to approve the minutes of the June meeting. Seconded and carried. A motion was also made to approve the financial report and projected budget. Seconded and carried.

The board elected new officers for the 1997-98 year. Linda Davis was elected as board chair and Don Haugen was elected as vice chair. The board also elected Doug Johnson as program approval board chair. Maryjane Martens was elected vice chair for program approval board. Motion made, seconded and carried.

Cases

Tim Thuesen, the board is waiting for the court outcome.

Motion made to dismiss cases involving Krissi Wenzel, Mike Gaukler and Belinda Paulson. Seconded and carried.

Jean Richardson vs. Francis Azure, administrative board members voting were Doug Johnson, Mary Harris, Mike Schatz and Don Haugen. Motion made to dismiss the case. Seconded and carried.

Motion made to dismiss case of Mary Thompson. Seconded and carried.

Motion made to move forward with a formal inquiry of John Howard. Seconded and carried.

Clem Boechler has requested an administrative hearing. The hearing will be held on September 23 and 24.

Hans Halvorson has agreed to the suspension of his license until completion of a drug/alcohol/psychological evaluation.

Cody Miller-Kraft agreed to serve the 4 ½ months suspension of her license.

Paul Costanzo has requested an administrative hearing. The hearing will be held on August 17.

The Mandaree Public School has withdrawn the breach of contract involving Karen Fox. The ESPB office is waiting for the written request.

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Richard Lehmann has withdrawn his request for a teaching license.

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